

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University Delhi

School of Global Affair (SGA)

Bulletin of Information PhD in Urban Studies Admissions 2025-2026

SGA offers a range of interdisciplinary, diverse and overlapping programmes in global studies and urban studies that support, encourage and redefine liberal arts education through a number of interdisciplinary courses, participatory pedagogy and teaching-learning processes.

PhD Programme in Urban Studies

The School of Global Affairs offers admission on an annual basis to a PhD Programme in Urban Studies which emphasizes the development of research competency. Research scholars shall acquire or improve skills for effective review of and engagement with scholarship in their chosen areas of research. They are helped to discover and apply methodologies necessary to carry out original research through a variety of sources with a view to evolving interdisciplinary and connected engagement with Urban Studies. Research scholars will actively contribute to the intellectual life of the University through regular communication about research work with faculty and fellow students. The main output of Urban Studies research scholars' efforts will be a thesis.

List of Supervisor for Ph.D Admission 2025-26

S. No.	Name of Supervisor/Faculty	Email Id	Area of Specialization
1	Dr. Shekhar Tokas	shekhar@aud.ac.in	Migration and Urban Development; Cities, Migration and Marginalization; Urban Economy and Human Capital, International and Urban Education; International Student Mobility and Cities; Forced Migration and Urban Refugees.
2	Dr. Pritpal Singh Randhawa	pritpal@aud.ac.in	Urban Political Economy, Urban Infrastructures, Poverty, Rural-urban linkages, Satellite Towns, Urban Social Movement
3	Dr. Soma Sarkar	ssarkar@aud.ac.in	Urban Environment; Regional Planning; Disaster Management; Remote Sensing & GIS
4	Dr. M.M.Anees	mmanees@aud.ac.in	Remote sensing and GIS applications for urban management, Urban green space planning, Urbanization dynamics, Urban vulnerability assessment, Spatial patterns of urbanization and ecology

5	Dr. Rachna Mehra	rmehra@aud.ac.in	Urban history, planning small towns, cities in transition, sensorial urbanism
6	Dr. Bhawna Bali	bbali@aud.ac.in	Urban governance, infrastructure and livelihoods; rural-urban linkages/peri-urbanisation; urban heritage and cultural norms; sustainable urban development
7	Dr. Tanya Chaudhary	tchaudhary@aud.ac.in	Urban Livelihoods/Labour and Informality, Displacement and Migration , Urban Space and Planning
8	Dr. Nidhi Tewathia	ntewathia@aud.ac.in	Role & Impact of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Urban Economy, Rural-Urban Digital Divide, ICT & Urban marginalised groups (unorganised women workforce, gig workers etc)
9	Dr. Parvendra	pkumar5@aud.ac.in	Climate Change, Water Resources, Remote Sensing and GIS, Geospatial Analysis

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- Link for detail about the Admission Notice and Common Bulletin of Information (BOI); https://aud.delhi.gov.in/sites/default/files/admissions/2025/PhD/f_ph.d_admission_bulletin_of_information_general.pdf
- Please consult the [University admissions website](#) regularly for details and updates.
- For any queries, write to Dr. Tanya Chaudhary, Programme Coordinator, Ph.D Urban Studies, at tchaudhary@aud.ac.in